State of South Dakota

EIGHTY-FIFTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2010

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SENATE BILL NO. 19

Introduced by: The Committee on Retirement Laws at the request of the South Dakota Retirement System

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to increase contributions related to the optional spouse
- 2 protection program within the South Dakota Retirement System and to prohibit any new
- 3 enrollments in the program.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 5 Section 1. That § 3-12-104 be amended to read as follows:
- 6 3-12-104. Within three hundred sixty-five days of becoming a member, within ninety days
- 7 of attaining age thirty-five, or within ninety days of the first anniversary of a marriage, a
- 8 member may elect to provide the member's spouse with additional survivor protection by
- 9 increasing the member's contribution by an additional one and two-tenths five-tenths percent
- of compensation, which additional contribution may not be matched by the member's employer.
- 11 The additional contribution shall commence with the first payroll period following the date of
- the election. It shall continue until the earlier of the member's spouse attaining age sixty-five,
- the death or disability of the member, the death of the spouse, termination of employment or the
- termination of the marriage as defined in the rules of the board of trustees. The additional
- 15 contribution may not be treated as a member contribution for purposes of determining the

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amount of refund of accumulated contributions. However, the contributions paid prior to January 1, 1979, shall be considered part of accumulated contributions for determining the amount of refund if the member terminates employment. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a member who is currently contributing to the system may terminate the additional survivor protection under this section, but all funds contributed for the additional survivor protection shall remain with the system and may not be considered as part of the member's accumulated contributions. For the purposes of implementing this section, the eight-tenths of one and two-tenths percent contribution for additional survivor protection was applied to all compensation received on or after January 1, 1979 July 1, 2004, regardless of when that compensation was earned, and the one and two-tenths five-tenths percent of compensation shall be applied to all compensation received on or after July 1, 2004 2010, regardless of when that compensation was earned.

Section 2. That chapter 3-12 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

The provisions of § 3-12-104 notwithstanding, on or after July 1, 2010, no member of the system may enroll in the program created under that section.